a sleeve body defining a sleeve recess for receiving the cup, the body having a bottom wall for supporting the bottom wall of the cup and a peripheral wall extending away from the bottom wall and terminating in an upper edge to define an open top providing access to the sleeve recess.

40. (New) The sleeve according to claim 39, wherein the peripheral wall has a height such that a portion of the sleeve body near the upper edge overlaps a portion of the collar insert portion to compress the cup therebetween and frictionally retain a portion of the cup along the overlap portion when the cup is received within the sleeve and the collar insert is received within the cup.

41. (New) The sleeve according to claim 39, wherein the sleeve recess interior has a predetermined profile adapted to complement the exterior profile of the cup.

42. (New) The sleeve according to claim 39, wherein the bottom wall of the sleeve comprises at least one air passage extending therethrough.

43. (New) The sleeve according to claim 39, wherein the sleeve body tapers in a direction away from the open top.

44. (New) The sleeve according to claim 39, and further comprising a friction enhancer provided on the sleeve.

45. (New) The sleeve according to claim 44, wherein the friction enhancer is provided on the sleeve adjacent the upper edge.

46. (New) The sleeve according to claim 45, wherein the friction enhancer comprises a frictional material.

47. (New) The sleeve according to claim 45, wherein the friction enhancer comprises at least one protrusion extending outwardly from an interior surface of the sleeve.

48. (New) The sleeve according to claim 47, wherein the protrusion is an annular rib.

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49. (New) The sleeve according to claim 47, wherein the protrusion is an embossment.

50. (New) The sleeve according to claim 47, wherein the protrusion is a longitudinal rib extending away from an interior surface of the sleeve.



51. (New) The sleeve according to claim 45, wherein the sleeve peripheral wall comprises at least one longitudinal slot to thereby permit at least a portion of the peripheral wall to be deflected inwardly and thereby apply a compressive force to the cup to frictionally restrain the cup from movement relative to the sleeve body when the cup is received within the sleeve.

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**REMARKS**

By the present amendment, claims 39-51 have been added. No new matter has been added by the foregoing amendment. Entry of the amendment is respectfully requested.

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